

Weather Forecast: Fair tonight and Sunday; rising temperature in north portion Sunday.

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Marion County's Reputation Is at Stake! Vote For Bonds and Progress, April 20th.

AT THE HEAD OF THE TABLE AGAIN

President Wilson Presides at Meeting of the Cabinet to Discuss the Railroad Strike

(Associated Press)
Washington, April 14.—The president's cabinet assembled today to discuss the railroad strike. The attorney general had complete reports from the department of justice field agents investigating the strike.
This is the first time President Wilson has met with his official advisers since the western speaking trip in the course of which he was taken ill and the strike situation was understood to have prompted the call.

KEEPING ITS COUNCIL

The cabinet apparently reached some conclusion regarding the strike, but no intimation was obtainable. The president telegraphed the members of the railroad labor board to come to Washington to be prepared to function when the Senate confirms them.

MORE TO MARKET WOULD BE BETTER

The Federal Trade Commission has recommended improved marketing facilities at the great distributing centers as a step towards reducing the cost of living.

STRAUSS SAID WE HAD PLENTY OF SHOOT

Rear Admiral Strauss told the Senate investigating committee that the navy being laying in a good supply of reserve guns and powder projectiles as soon as the war begun in 1914 and when the United States entered the war there was no shortage in this equipment.

PROBLEM IS PRESSING

Commissioner of Education Claxton has called representative citizens of every state to meet in Washington May 19-21st to consider the present problem of education.

DR. BENNETT

Dr. Joseph Davis Bennett was born at New Bloomfield, Mo., May 25, 1840, and died at Del Oro Groves, Safety Harbor, Fla., March 23, 1920. Dr. Bennett lived for a considerable time at Crystal River and was loved by a large circle of friends. In 1873 he married Louella Huron. Dr. and Mrs. Bennett were both prominent in educational circles in this county.—Inverness Chronicle.

LOCAL NO. 19 WILL HAVE PICNIC AT LOWELL

Editor Star: Local No. 19, Farmers Union, will give a basket picnic at Lowell Saturday, April 17. Be sure and come. Also please announce in your paper it will be a free to all basket picnic. Everybody is invited to come with a well filled basket. But no candidates will be allowed to speak. We will be glad to have them all come but this is not a political picnic. We will be sure and look for you. Thanks for your trouble.

H. C. Heseman,
L. M. Raynor Jr.,
W. M. Shockey,
S. F. Rou, Committee.

There are no better people in the world than those who live at Lowell, and if we could possibly leave our work Saturday, we would be with them. As it is, we wish for them a pleasant and profitable day.

OUTING FOR BELLEVUE ROD AND GUN CLUB

Bellevue, April 14.—When the Bellevue Gun and Rod Club holds its next event, it will live up to its title, for shooting will be mixed with fishing and there will be swimming "on the side."

The event has been fixed for Thursday afternoon, April 22, and will be in the nature of a general outing at Smith's lake. The big trap and a supply of clay "birds" will be carried along for the regular trap shooting contest and as rods and reels always go to the lake it is a fair guess that there will be more or less informal casting competitions leading up to a big fish fry.

It is probable also that at the next trap shoot the members of the club will be formed into teams and that team scores and not individual records will decide the result.

The club, which was organized only a month ago with 14 members, now has 24 names on its roll and already has held two trap shoots and a bait casting contest.

WASHING AND POLISHING.
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AMERICA SHOULD KNOW ARMENIA

Many of the Brave and Long Suffering Asiatics Fought Under Our Flag

(Associated Press)
Washington, April 14.—Five hundred Armenian-American war veterans today presented to Secretary of State Colby, acting for President Wilson, a memorial urging recognition of the Armenian republic by the United States. Similar memorials were presented to Senator Lodge and Representative Porter.

TROUBLE AT TAMPA

Cigarmakers Will Strike and Factories Will Close Down

(Associated Press)
Tampa, April 14.—The joint advisory board of the cigarmakers union has decided on a general strike order. The manufacturers association said all factories will close whether affected by the strike or not. Union heads claim over 7000 members. About 13,000 people in all trades will be affected if there is a complete shutdown.

LOCAL LEGISLATION

The city council met pursuant to adjournment Friday night with the following members present: D. E. McIver, B. Goldman, C. E. Simmons, A. T. Thomas and A. A. Winer. Communication from the Marion County Board of Trade asking that the council appoint a committee to confer with a committee from the Board of Trade in connection with the proposed bond issue for paving the streets of the city, was read and it was agreed that the whole council act as such committee.

Mrs. H. Harold and R. N. Dosh appeared and asked that the city furnish lights for the Episcopal lawn fete to be held in the Ocala House grounds Tuesday, April 20. Mr. Winer moved that the lights be granted, which was seconded by Mr. Goldman and carried. A. B. Halsell requested reduction on excessive water bill. Mr. Goldman moved that Mr. Halsell be allowed \$5 credit on same. Motion was seconded and carried.

Request of R. H. Todd, chairman of the grounds committee, asking permission to use the library lot for the Community Chautauqua Association to be held May 5th to 9th, was granted upon motion of Councilman Goldman.

Communication from H. M. Hampton, attorney for the Ocala House property, stating that it was his understanding that the 1919 tax assessment on said property was to be on a valuation of \$50,000 instead of \$65,000. It was the sense of the council that this assessment stand at \$65,000. A letter was read from the Finley Method Company stating that some time ago their representative, H. G. Cowan, made the city a tentative proposal for constructing under the Finley method 3-4 rock surface treatment on the streets of the city at a price of 40 cents, but owing to the increase in price of materials it would be necessary to receive 46 cents per square yard for this type of work. Ordered filed for information.

Bid of S. H. Christian to repair one of the city wells was left over until next meeting.

The clerk was instructed to draw warrant for \$60 in connection with settlement for release of septic tank tank contract.

Report of City Health Officer Watt read and filed for information. It was ordered upon motion, duly carried, all members voting yes, that the notes with the three banks be taken up and warrants ordered drawn for same.

It was moved and carried that the salaries of the city officials for the ensuing year be fixed the same as for the past year.

The following report was read and adopted, upon motion of Mr. Winer, duly seconded and carried:

The special committee appointed to consider and confer with the gas company concerning the matters of service and relative to the status of the franchise, beg to report:

The committee met with the manager of the gas company and had submitted to them a candlepower test of the gas being made at that time, which test showed a candlepower of 16 to 20. From information gathered by the committee the candlepower test is not reliable, and a test made today is no indication of what the gas was yesterday or will be tomorrow. Nor is there any absolute ratio between candlepower and heat units. The mayor, acting for the committee, has been endeavoring to procure an apparatus for testing the heating qual-

WORK OF THE I. W. W.

The Unauthorized Railroad Strike is a Part of the World-Wide Revolution

(Associated Press)
Washington, April 14.—Evidence of the activity of Industrial Workers of the World toward inciting and maintaining the unauthorized railroad strike continue to accumulate at the department of justice and officials admitted last night that they saw signs of an attempt to expand the rail strike into "one phase of a world revolution."

LOST THEIR LIVES

Two Gallant Italian Aviators Killed on Flight from Rome to Tokio

(Associated Press)
Karachi, India, April 14.—Captain Cordesco and Lieut. Gerassi, Italian aviators engaged in a flight from Rome to Tokio, were killed on the shores of the Persian gulf when their machine crashed to the ground.

NEW PRESIDENT FOR CARNEGIE FOUNDATION

(Associated Press)
New York, April 14.—Mr. James Rowland Angell has been elected president of the Carnegie Foundation, it is announced here.

SHOULDN'T CHARGE FOR HIS SPEECHES

(Associated Press)
Wymar, Neb., April 14.—Wm. J. Bryan favored an anti-profitier plank in the democratic platform, speaking her today.

INFLUENZA AT ERSKINE

(Associated Press)
Greenwood, S. C., April 14.—Erskine College has been closed on account of influenza.

LET THEM TRY STARVATION ONCE

(Associated Press)
Bublin, April 14.—Hunger strikers among the political prisoners whom the doctor consider in danger will be released, the lord mayor announced today.

WOMAN'S CLUB AT WILLISTON

Mrs. W. T. Gary, president of the Ocala Woman's Club, and vice president of the federation for this district, motored to Williston Tuesday afternoon to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Club of that prosperous little town.

Mrs. Gary was accompanied on this pleasant trip by Mrs. E. T. Helvenston, Mrs. Albert Birdsey, Mrs. B. W. Minnis, Mrs. E. L. Carney and little Miss Margaret Helvenston.

At Williston they were the guests of Mrs. King, the president of the club, and had the pleasure of meeting about twenty of the other members of this alert, up-to-date organization.

Mrs. Gary, who is one of Florida's most intellectual women, was invited to address the meeting. She most graciously accepted and her talk was very helpful and greatly enjoyed.

BARGAIN IN BUICK 4 ROADSTER

Buick "4" roadster in good shape. Good tires. AUTO SALES CO. Mack Taylor. Phone 348, Ocala, Fla. 12-6t

ity of the gas, in heat units, but has been unable to procure such apparatus.

We think that some provision should be made for periodic tests to the end that the quality of the gas may be kept up to a reasonable standard of efficiency for heating purposes for after all, heat is the thing the consumers use and need.

With reference to the status of the franchise we recommend that the city accept the annual rental of \$200 and that no further action be taken for the present. Respectfully,

B. Goldman,
Chas. E. Simmons,
Members of the Committee.

Council thereupon adjourned until Tuesday, April 13th, 1920.

Special sale beginning Monday. A sixty-cent jar Coco Butter Cold Cream and a fifty-cent box Charming Face Powder, both for 63 cents at Gerig's Drug Store. 6-6t

GENERAL GARAGE REPAIRING. 9-6t Ocala Motor Co.

ALLEN WILL NOT EVADE ISSUE

Intends to Institute Criminal Proceedings Against Labor Leader Who Defies the Law

(Associated Press)
Topeka, April 14.—Governor Allen has announced that criminal proceedings would be instituted against President Howat, who advised the miners to stay out on strike.

STRIKE IS SHAKING

Chicago, April 14.—Freight traffic conditions have improved in the central west but the industrial situation in Ohio and Michigan reached a crisis as a result of stoppage of the fuel supply and in the far west where a dozen passenger trains are reported stalled. Volunteer crews are manning the trains in New York in an effort to break the strike.

LOWDEN LED IN HIS HOME STATE

(Associated Press)
Chicago, April 14.—Gov. Lowden carried his home state yesterday on the face of incomplete unofficial returns in the republican presidential preference primary with Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood second and Senator Hiram Johnson third, the latter's name being written in by the voters.

ARRESTED STRIKERS AT NEW ORLEANS

(Associated Press)
New Orleans, April 14.—Judge Foster has called a special session of the federal grand jury to consider the cases of eight railroad strikers arrested here. The judge said the jury would be instructed to investigate every phase of the strike.

BETTER SYSTEM OF BALING

(Associated Press)
Montgomery, April 14.—A new system of baling and marketing cotton seed have over one hundred million dollars annually, Senator Randall told the American Cotton Association convention here today.

CHLORINE GAS MAY SAVE MANY LIVES

(Associated Press)
St. Louis, April 14.—Chlorine gas may become of use as an influenza preventative, in the opinion of members of the American Chemical Society.

NO ADMISSION FOR LOW NECKS

(Associated Press)
Phoenix, Ariz., April 14.—All the entrances to St. Mary's church today bore notices saying "Entrance into this church is forbidden women wearing low-necked dresses."

BELLEVUE CLUB WANTS MORE BASS

Bellevue, April 13.—If the efforts of the Bellevue Gun and Rod Club meet with success, there will be better fishing in both Smith's Lake and Lake Lillian. For at the last meeting of that progressive organization, Secretary Gale was instructed to get in touch with the proper authorities in Washington with a view of having both of these waters stocked with bass.

Meanwhile, the members of the club have been requested as sportsmen to refrain from fishing in Lake Lillian for a period of one year. The town council has been asked to make the picturesque pool forbidden water to all for a similar period.

Smith's Lake is well known, but doubtless there are those not resident in Bellevue who are unaware that Lake Lillian is the mirror-like little pond situated in the very heart of this oak-shaded city. Many years ago it was stocked with German carp but fortunately that undesirable fish did not thrive and it was not until six or eight years ago that Mr. Gale and his son placed 15 or 20 young bass in the water. They proved prolific and since that time several hundred bass have been caught, a 7½-pounder having been landed only last week.

However, the fishing is not what it used to be and restriction and restocking is necessary, hence the Bellevue Gun and Rod Club's action. The club also intends to set apart a day this summer when the members will put on their "wading pants" and clear out the weeds which now thicken and cumber the inshore water.

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MEXICO IN ITS USUAL MUDDLE

Gonzales has Bolted the Presidential Race Track and Wants All Others to Pull Up

(Associated Press)
Washington, April 14.—Private advices from Nuevo Laredo say General Gonzales has withdrawn from the race for the presidency of Mexico, requested Obregon Bonillas to do likewise and called on Carranza to resign. Gonzales said the supreme court should name a provisional president. The general has rejoined his command.

SONORA READY TO SCRAP

Agua Prieta, Sonora, April 14.—Preparations are being made for defense against Carranza troops, which will attempt to bring Sonora back into the Mexican federation. The governor declares the entire state is supporting the secession movement.

CABRERA TO BE CANNED

Washington, April 14.—The opposing forces in Guatemala have arranged an armistice and a proposal made to President Cabrera to leave the country, according to advices received at the state department.

OUGHT TO HAVE TRIED IT FIRST OF APRIL

Omaha, April 15.—Prof. Todd, of Amherst College, will attempt to signal Mars from a balloon on April 23, according to Leo Stevens, a balloon expert.

FARM NOTES BY THE COUNTY AGENT

The practice of replanting corn does not pay. The first planted stalks tend to crowd out the replants and prevent them from making their proper growth and development. Besides, the ears of the replants are usually not well filled out because of poor pollination, due to the fact that the second planting is in single hills, or spots, and placed some distance from each other.

Where the stand of corn is very poor it will pay better to plant the whole field again rather than to replant the missing hills. If the stand is fair, the best thing to do is to plant velvet beans, peanuts or cow peas in the open spaces. On account of the slow growth of the velvet bean, it is to be preferred. It will hold its own while the corn is making and after the corn is matured it will come on and produce just as well as if no corn had been there.

In applying fertilizers to growing crops the aim should be to get them into the moist soil. It requires about three weeks for commercial fertilizers to become available for plants, and to put them in dry dirt may mean that the crop will suffer for lack of them before a rain comes to make them available. Should fertilizer be applied in dry weather and rain fail to fall for three weeks, it is likely that six weeks will elapse before the crop can get the benefit of the plant food. A rank growing, quick maturing plant like corn will be injured by such an occurrence. So, to be on the safe side, either put the fertilizer in the damp soil or get it on several weeks in advance of the time that it will be needed.

For a hay crop, nothing is better than cow peas or beggarweed. Crabgrass, Natal, Sudan and sorghum hays are good, but when it is taken into consideration that they are only half as rich in food elements as the pea or beggarweed it will be seen what mistake it is to grow them. More than that, they are harder on the land than the two leguminous hays.

With plenty of pea or beggarweed hay before the work animals all the time and good pastures for them to run on, not more than half the grain is needed to keep them in good order as when grass hay and corn are fed exclusively. Why not then give more attention to these two hay crops and plan to grow this summer at least three tons of them for every work animal on the farm? If your choice is beggarweed, then enter the beggarweed hay growing contest being conducted in the county. The requirements and rules are few and easy, being only that a record of the man and team hours and cost of seed and fertilizer must be kept. Premiums of \$25, \$15 and \$10 will be given by the Munroe & Chambliss National Bank for the best yields on one acre. Send your name in to me for entrance any time before July 15th.

Wm. A. Sessoms,
County Agent.

YOU ARE NEXT AT 9-6t Ocala Motor Co. GARAGE.

STATEMENT FROM JUDGE SMITH

He Gives His Reasons for Not Inflicting Jail Sentence on Mabe Phillips

Editor Star: Can it be that you are misinformed? Or is it that you are wilfully misrepresenting the facts? I can't believe you would misrepresent the facts. I know that it is beneath the dignity of a court to engage in a newspaper controversy, but for the reason that you and Brother Green have things in an awful mess and that possibly it would appear to my real friends that now, as I have decided not to run for office again, that I did not care and possibly had forgotten my pledge to the people to do my full duty as I saw it. I must either engage in a newspaper controversy and seek to justify my acts to them, or rule you for contempt of court and convince you that I am not afraid to put a white man in jail. I choose the latter course. I too, agree with you that justice should be dealt out alike to both white and black, but I know of no rule of law that requires a man to be dealt harder with, just simply because he is white. It is not my fault that more white men have not been caught and convicted for dealing in shine. For your information I am giving you below a copy of my criminal docket for the past year.

Luther Gavan, colored; fined \$100 or six months.

William Cabarrrie, colored; fined \$200 and six months, with six months in default of payment of fine.

Grant Mickins, colored; fined \$200 and 30 days, with six months in default of payment.

Charles Smith, colored; \$100 and six months.

Jim Thaggard, colored; \$200 and six months.

Charlie Brantley, colored; \$100 and six months.

Jim Douglas, colored; \$25 or ninety days.

Jack Bryant, colored; \$100 and six months.

Ed Wright, colored; \$200 or six months.

Jake Hope, colored; six months.

Perry Edwards, colored; \$500 and six months.

Everett Hays, colored; \$100 and six months.

Spain Stevenson, colored; \$100 and six months.

Lee Bagley, colored; \$100 or six months.

Lewis Graham, colored; six months.

John Wess, colored; \$100 and six months.

Male Phillips, white; \$300 or six months.

Mabe Phillips, white; \$500 or six months.

Now, my dear Uncle Ben, the above is a true report of my stewardship to the people in which cases for the past year. In the Mabe Phillips case he case charged with four offenses growing out of one and the same transaction and to speak the truth it appeared to me that he was really and truly being imposed upon. He was not charged with selling liquor, your statement to the contrary notwithstanding. He was charged as follows:

1. Having a still in his possession. He was tried and convicted on this charge. The legislature in its wisdom saw fit to impose a fine for this crime of not exceeding \$500 or six months. Mabe, for this offense, was by me fined the full penalty of the law. The legislature did not see fit to allow me to impose both fine and imprisonment for this crime and I must be guided by the law.

2. He was charged with having manufactured liquor. He entered a plea of nolo contendere to this charge. He saved the court and the county a long and tedious trial. He had been practically fined before for this same offense. The evidence did not show him to be awfully bad. A man that has done the things he has done cannot be such an awful criminal as you paint him.

3. He was charged with having moonshine in his possession. He entered a plea of nolo contendere to this charge and sentence was suspended.

4. He was charged with having mash in his possession. He entered a plea of nolo contendere to this and sentence was suspended.

All these charges were one and the same transaction. Many a negro on the same state of facts has only been charged with only one offense.

Just as an incident, take the case of Lee Bagley, a colored man, who was arrested and pled guilty on March 12, 1920, just one month ago. Why did you not lecture me about this case? Can it be because he was a negro? Possibly if you had given me a lecture about this case, Mabe Phillips would have received a different fine and possibly not. Honestly, Mr. Ben,

Very respectfully,
W. E. Smith.

PLANS FOR STATE AUTO CONVENTION

Meeting Will be Held in Ocala Tuesday and Wednesday, April 27th and 28th

Plans have been completed for the annual convention of the Florida Automobile Association, which is to be held in Ocala, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 27th and 28th. And not only are those who attend assured that they will have a big time, but matters of state-wide importance will be taken up by the convention. Plans for the entertainment of the visitors include an automobile trip through the farming sections of Marion county and an al fresco supper at Silver Springs, giving the visitors an opportunity to see the largest springs in the United States and probably in the world. The visit to Silver Springs will include music, dancing, boating and bathing. There is no finer place for bathing, as the waters of Silver Springs are clear as a crystal and of a temperature exceeding refreshingly warm weather. The automobile trip through the farming country and the trip to Silver Springs have been arranged for Tuesday, the first day of the convention. There will be motion pictures for all those who care to attend Tuesday night. An opportunity to view Silver Springs through the glass bottom boats will be had on Wednesday afternoon.

The convention will be called to order by President M. M. Smith at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. Individual invitations are being mailed by the Ocala Motor Club to every member of the state association, with a program of the convention, and a post card to be returned to R. S. Rogers, secretary of the Ocala Motor Club, stating whether the member will be present at the convention and what hotel reservations are wanted. Every member attending the convention is urged to register at the headquarters of the Ocala Motor Club immediately upon arriving in Ocala. Upon registering the delegates and visitors will be given an envelope containing hotel reservations, a program, tickets, badges, etc. The chairman of the various committees in charge of the convention are E. E. Dobb, reception; John H. Taylor, entertainment; Rush H. Todd, finance; Louis H. Chazal, publicity.

CARRYING OFF THE COIN IN CLEVELAND

(Associated Press)
Cleveland, April 14.—The safe of the Morris company was broken open last night and \$7600 stolen.

FAIRFIELD

Fairfield, April 12.—The farmers here will soon be shipping beans. We are glad to say the recent cold did not damage them very much.

A fine baby boy came to gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reichelderfer last week.

Mrs. J. T. Hutchins of Romeo and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dinkins of Steen were the guests of Mrs. Hutchins' sister, Mrs. L. E. Mack and family Sunday.

Rev. Phillips preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon. There will be services there next Sunday, morning and evening. Every one is invited to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin of Reddick attended services here Sunday afternoon.

I was not thinking about you or my friends when I sentenced Mabe Phillips. I have not and never do I intend to cater to the Star nor to public sentiment. So long as I am doing what I think is right and just I don't care where the chips fall, and if by tempering justice with mercy any of my friends want to fall out with me, too those friends I say let them go to it.

The negro who pled guilty to the charge of making moonshine with Mabe Phillips was not fined at all. He was a boy almost 17 years of age and the law gave me the option of either sentencing him or not. I did not sentence him.

I still say that I favor jail sentences for making and selling shine and shall continue to impose such sentences on both white and black, except in those cases where there are extenuating circumstances, and in all matters try to render to the county my best service and judgment.

In your report of the Whitehead case you state that he was fined \$25 for making moonshine. This is all wrong. He was not charged with making shine, but with having a small bottle and drinking it and he was not fined \$25; he was fined \$15. He, too, was a white man, old and sick.

Very respectfully,
W. E. Smith.

"The Truly Strawberries" at W. A. Stroud's today only 33c a quart today.

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